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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: MOPS PLOS KS KN US
SUBJ: NORTH KOREAN MILITARY SEA BOUNDARY

REF: STATE 179939

1. IN ACCORDANCE WITH REFTTEL, UNC AUGUST 2 AT 1045 HOURS LOCAL
PASSED THE FOLLOWING MESSAGE FROM UNC PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER
TO PIO OF KOREAN PEOPLES ARMY/CHINESE PEOPLES VOLUNTEERS:

BEGIN TEXT: REGARDING A REPORT THAT YOUR SIDE IS TO UNILATERALLY
ESTABLISH A MILITARY BOUNDARY LINE ON BOTH COASTS OF KOREA,
A UN COMMAND SPOKESMAN REAFFIRMED THE LONGSTANDING UNC POSITION
THAT NO UNILATERAL NORTH KOREAN DECLARATION CAN CURTAIL THE
RIGHTS OF EITHER SIDE UNDER THE ARMISTICE. THE UNC WILL CONTINUE
TO OBSERVE THE ARMISTICE AND EXPECTS YOUR SIDE TO DO THE SAME.
THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE IN OUR OPERATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL WATERS
AND AIR SPACE. END TEXT.

ROKG IS OF COURSE AWARE OF THIS MESSAGE. FYI: PIO CHANNEL IS
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SOMEWHAT UNUSUAL BUT HAS BEEN USED IN THE PAST (BY KPA IN
AUGUST 1948).

2. NUMEROUS PRESS QUERIES WERE RECEIVED BOTH AUGUST 1 AND 2,
AND SINCE CONTINUING TO WITHHOLD COMMENT APPEARED LIKELY TO HAVE
UNSETTLING EFFECT HERE, UNC HAS USED SAME LANGUAGE AS ABOVE IN
RESPONDING TO MEDIA QUESTIONS.

3. RESUPPLY VESSEL DEPARTED INCHON AS SCHEDULED EARLY AUGUST 2,
DUE ARRIVE 1700 HOURS AT PANGYONG DO. AS OF 1500 HOURS LOCAL NO
EVENTS HAD BEEN REPORTED. AIRCRAFT FLIGHT SCHEDULED FOR 1300
DEPARTURE HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL FOLLOWING DAY BECAUSE OF
WEATHER CONDITIONS.
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